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CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that, in accordance with Section 16, Rule VI of the Rules of Procedure in Impeachment Proceedings of the House of Representatives, Twentieth Congress, the House of Representatives, acting in plenary during its Regular Session on 12 May 2026, elected the following Members as prosecutors in the impeachment trial against Vice President Sara Z. Duterte[1]:

1. Rep. Atty. Gerville "Jinky Bitrics" R. Luistro
   Batangas, 2nd District
2. Rep. Terry L. Ridon
   BICOL SARO Party-List
3. Rep. Ramon Rodrigo L. Gutierrez
   1-RIDER Party-List
4. Rep. Ysabel Maria J. Zamora
   City of San Juan, Lone District
5. Rep. Lorenz R. Defensor
   Iloilo, 3rd District
6. Rep. Jose Manuel Tadeo "Chel" I. Diokno
   AKBAYAN Party-List
7. Rep. Leila M. De Lima
   ML Party-List
8. Rep. Kaka J. Bag-ao
   Dinagat Islands, Lone District
9. Rep. Jonathan Keith T. Flores
   Bukidnon, 2nd District
10. Rep. Lordan G. Suan
    City of Cagayan de Oro, 1st District

[1] A certified copy of Page 37, Journal No. 35, Journal of the House of Representatives, 20th Congress, First Regular Session is hereto attached.

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11. Rep. Joel R. Chua
City of Manila, 3rd District

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Monday to Wednesday, May 11 to 13, 2026 *JOURNAL NO. 35*

CALL TO ORDER

At 3:00 p.m. of Monday, May 11, 2026, Senior Deputy Speaker Ferdinand L. Hernandez called the session to order.

NATIONAL ANTHEM AND INVOCATION

The Members sang the National Anthem and thereafter, Rep. Sarah Jane I. Elago delivered the invocation.

REMARKS OF SENIOR DEPUTY MAJORITY LEADER DEFENSOR

At this point, Senior Deputy Majority Leader Lorenz R. Defensor requested the Members to take their seats and to observe proper decorum in the Session Hall.

ROLL CALL

On motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Chair directed the Secretary General to call the Roll and the following Members were present:

Abalos
Abante
Acidre
Acop
Acosta
Adiong
Advincula
Agarao
Agyao
Albano
Almario (D.)
Almonte
Alvarez (J.)
Alvarez (M.)
Angara
Angeles
Aquino
Aquino-Magsaysay
Arbison (M.)
Arbison (M.N.)
Arenas
Arrogancia
Asistio
Atayde
Balindong
Bañas-Nograles
Bancoro
Barba
Barbers
Baronda
Barzaga
Bautista (J.M.)
Beltran
Benitez (A.)
Benitez (J.M.)
Bernos (C.)
Bernos (J.)
Biron
Bocobo
Bolilia
Briones
Bulut-Begtang
Cagas
Calderon
Calixto
Caoagdan
Castro
Cayton
Celeste
Cendaña
Ceniza
Chan (J.)
Chua
Chua-Tai
Chungalao
Co
Co-Pilar
Cojuangco (J.E.M.)
Cojuangco (M.)
Collantes
Corvera
Cruz (A.)
Cruz (R.)
Cua
Dagooc
Dalog
Daza
De Jesus
De Lima
de Venecia
Defensor
Degamo
Del Mar
Dimacuha
Dimaguila
Dimaporo (I.)
Dimaporo (S.A.)
Diokno
Dionisio
Domingo
Domogan
Duterte (H.J.)
Duterte (O.V.)
Duterte (P.)
Dy (F.)
Dy (F.M.C.)
Dy (I.P.)
Elago
Emano
Enverga
Erice
Escudero
Espares
Espina
Estrella
Ferrer (A.)
Fortes
Frasco
Fresnedi
Fuentebella
Galang
Garcia (A.)
Garcia (D.)
Garcia (K.H.)
Garcia (M.A.)
Gardiola
Garin
Gatchalian
Gato
Glepa
Gomez
Gonzales (A.)
Gonzales (A.M.)
Gonzales (R.)
Gorricota
Guico
Guintu
Gullas
Gutierrez
Hernandez (C.A.)

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PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE ISMULA

Representative Ismula initially compared China's actions in Sandy Cay to a foreign government raising its flag along Commonwealth Avenue and claiming it as its own property. She recalled personally witnessing China's presence and intimidation tactics in the West Philippine Sea during the civilian mission organized by the *Atin Ito* Coalition. She shared that the mission aimed to support Filipino communities in the Municipality of Kalayaan and to observe the real situation faced by local residents and fishermen.

After describing how Chinese vessels closely monitored their voyage and how their drone-mounted cameras were blocked by Chinese authorities during the peaceful mission, Representative Ismula argued that China had no right to impose its laws within Philippine territory or the airspace of the West Philippine Sea. She criticized China for allegedly imitating their symbolic visit to Sandy Cay by later landing there and displaying the Chinese flag, which she described as a mockery of Philippine sovereignty. She also mentioned that China was spreading false claims that Filipinos were responsible for the environmental destruction happening in Sandy Cay; on the contrary, she said that for years, it was Chinese activities that have caused alleged damage to its coral reefs and marine ecosystems. Representative Ismula also emphasized the hardships faced by Filipino families living on Pag-asa Island, including their limited access to higher education, medicine, and basic goods. She noted that Kalayaan, Palawan local officials had remained firm despite intimidation and sanctions from China.

To strengthen the presence of the Philippines in the area, Representative Ismula urged the government and the House of Representatives to (1) ensure public investments in Pag-asa Island; (2) normalize civilian missions related to the West Philippine Sea and encourage Filipinos to participate in discussions related thereto; and (3) suspend any joint exploration negotiations with China until accountability had been ensured.

REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE ISMULA

On motion of Representative Bautista (J.M.), there being no objection, the Body approved to refer the privilege speech of Representative Ismula to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

On motion of Representative Bautista (J.M.), the Chair suspended the session at 6:15 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session was resumed at 6:18 p.m.

TERMINATION OF PRIVILEGE HOUR

There being no other Members who wished to avail themselves of the Privilege Hour, on motion of Representative Bautista (J.M.), there being no objection, the Chair terminated the Privilege Hour.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

On motion of Representative Bautista (J.M.), the Chair suspended the session at 6:18 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session was resumed at 6:33 p.m.

ELECTION OF HOUSE MEMBERS AS PROSECUTORS IN THE IMPEACHMENT TRIAL

In accordance with Section 16, Rule VI of the Rules of Procedure in Impeachment Proceedings of the House of Representatives, on motion of Rep. Mark Anthony Santos, there being no objection, the Body elected the following Members as prosecutors in the impeachment trial against Vice President Sara Z. Duterte:

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2. Rep. Terry L. Ridon
3. Rep. Ramon Rodrigo L. Gutierrez
4. Rep. Ysabel Maria J. Zamora
5. Rep. Lorenz R. Defensor
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8. Rep. Kaka J. Bag-ao
9. Rep. Jonathan Keith T. Flores
10. Rep. Lordan G. Suan
11. Rep. Joel R. Chua

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

Subsequently, on motion of Representative Santos (M.A.), there being no objection, the Chair suspended the session until three o'clock in the afternoon of Wednesday, May 13, 2026.

It was 6:35 p.m. of Tuesday, May 12, 2026.

Committee Report No. 299, submitted by the Committee on Ethics and Privileges
re: Committee Case No. SC-2026-20, Committee Case No. PS-2026-21, Committee Case No. PS-2026-22 and Committee Case No. SC-2026-23
informing the House of the action taken by the Committee on Ethics and Privileges on the matter, including the Committee's findings and recommendations
Sponsors: Representatives Abalos and Alvarez (Jose)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

RECOMMITMENT OF HOUSE BILL NO. 8413

Pursuant to the Provisional Rules of the House, and upon the request of the Chairperson of the Committee on Poverty Alleviation, on motion of Representative Acosta, there being no objection, the Body recommitted House Bill No. 8413 to the said Committee.

ADOPTION OF HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1004

Thereafter, on successive motions of Representative Acosta, there being no objection, the Body proceeded with the consideration of House Resolution No. 1004, in consolidation with House Resolution Nos. 938 and 949, titled: RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE FAMILY OF HONORABLE SALVADOR B. BRITANICO, FORMER REPRESENTATIVE OF THE BARANGAY ASSOCIATION FOR NATIONAL ADVANCEMENT AND TRANSPARENCY (BANAT) PARTY-LIST DURING THE FOURTEENTH CONGRESS, AND REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PROVINCE OF ILOILO DURING THE REGULAR BATASANG PAMBANSA; dispensed with the reading of the text of the Resolution without prejudice to its insertion into the Record of the House as copies thereof had been distributed to the Members; and unanimously adopted the same through *viva voce* voting.

ADJOURNMENT OF SESSION

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Acosta, there being no objection, the Chair declared the session adjourned until three o'clock in the afternoon of Monday, May 18, 2026.

It was 7:04 p.m. of Wednesday, May 13, 2026.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing.

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Secretary General

Approved on May 19, 2026.

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